

Welcome
Almost Heaven 2011
NASS Summer Conference
July 10 – 13, 2011
The Resort at Glade Springs, Daniels, WV

# Greetings from West Virginia!

Welcome to the Almost Heaven 2011 NASS Summer Conference webpage. Here you will find general information relating to the conference and activities available at Glade Springs and in the surrounding areas.

Both the NASS office and the host state have been hard at work planning an agenda that will provide attendees with a wealth of information and an opportunity to explore the many activities West Virginia has to offer.

To register for the conference, please visit the NASS website at <a href="www.nass.org">www.nass.org</a>. The NASS website provides you with a quick and efficient way to register for the event. The early registration discount ends June 2, 2011.

I want to encourage you to explore all that the Mountain State has to offer. Whether it is riding the Glade Spring trails on horseback, golfing on one of its three golf courses, or enjoying the various activities of Southern West Virginia, I am confident you will see why we call West Virginia, "Almost Heaven." A link to the Glade Springs website has been provided below to help you plan your West Virginia adventure.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact my office. On behalf of the host state and NASS, thank you for visiting and I look forward to seeing you July 10-13, 2011 at The Resort at Glade Springs.

Sincerely,

Natalie E. Tennant

West Virginia Secretary of State

### **THE RESORT AT GLADE SPRINGS**

255 Resort Drive Daniels, WV 25832 (877) 540 - 3650 www.gladesprings.com



### **REGISTRATION**

- Please visit <u>www.nass.org</u> and register today!
- Early registration ends June 2, 2011

## **FEES**

•	NASS Member Secretary	\$400.00
•	NASS Emeritus Member	\$400.00
•	Staff/Government/Non-Profit	\$400.00
•	ACR & NPA Member	\$400.00
•	Academic	\$400.00
•	NASS Corporate Affiliate	\$400.00
•	NASS Non-Corporate Affiliate	\$900.00
•	Guest/Spouse	\$300.00
•	Children (17 & Younger)	\$150.00

# **Transportation**

Currently, we are working with local transportation providers on a transportation schedule, which will include a limited shuttle service from Yeager Airport in Charleston. We strongly encourage all attendees to drive and spend a couple extra days enjoying all that West Virginia has to offer. To help with that, we have partnered with Enterprise Rent—a-Car to offer a great deal on vehicle rentals. Please go to:

http://www.enterprise.com/car\_rental/deeplinkmap.do?bid=028&refId=STOFWTVA and reserve your car today!

Host Airport – Charleston Yeager (CRW) – <u>www.yeagerairport.com</u>

- Airlines that serve Charleston Yeager (CRW):
  - o Air Tran With non-stop flights to Orlando
  - o American Airlines/American Eagle With non-stop flights to New York & Chicago
  - Continental Airlines With non-stop flights to Houston
  - o **Delta Airlines/Delta Connection** With non-stop flights to Atlanta & Detroit
  - o Spirit Airlines With non-stop flights to Ft. Lauderdale & Myrtle Beach, SC
  - United Express With non-stop flights to Washington, D.C. & Chicago

- o **US Airways Express** With non-stop flights to Charlotte & Washington, D.C.
- The Almost Heaven 2011 Welcome Desk will be located in the baggage claim area at Yeager Airport.
  - o Hours of Operation: July 9 & 10, 2011 8:00 am 11:30 pm
- Shuttle service will be provided to those attendees arriving at Charleston's Yeager Airport.
  - o Hours of Operation: July 9 & 10, 2011 8:00 am 11:30 pm
- Shuttle service will be provided to those attendees departing from Charleston's Yeager Airport.
  - July 14, 2011 ONLY (Times TBD)
- A more detailed shuttle schedule will be posted soon

## **Accommodations**

- Please contact Glade Springs to make reservations.
  - The Resort at Glade Springs (877) 540 - 3650 www.gladesprings.com

# <u>Agenda</u>

http://www.nass.org/

## **Evening Activities**

- Planned Evening Activities (Transportation will be provided)
  - O Sunday, July 10, 2011 Welcome Reception at Glade Springs
    - Almost Heaven 2011 kicks off with a relaxing Welcome Reception at Glade Springs. Renew old friendships and make new ones as we welcome the start of another summer conference.
  - o Monday, July 11, 2011 BBQ Dinner and Tours at the Beckley Exhibition Coal Mine in Beckley, WV
    - Experience life in a 20<sup>th</sup> Century coal camp and travel 1500 feet below the surface to see what it
      was like to work in a mine. Afterwards, enjoy some West Virginia BBQ and local entertainment.
  - Tuesday, July 12, 2011 "A Taste of West Virginia" at Tamarack in Beckley, WV
    - Tamarack is one of a kind showcase for West Virginia culture, heritage, handcrafts, fine art, regional cuisine and music. Watch artisans as they offer on-site demonstrations that enable attendees to see their work as it is being created. Enjoy regional cuisine prepared for attendees by Tamarack's partner, The Greenbrier.
  - Wednesday, July 13, 2011 Reception & Dinner at the Roland P. Sharp Alumni and Conference Center in Lewisburg, WV
    - "Country Roads, Take Me Home" Celebration at The Resort at Glade Springs, Daniels, WV
    - More information coming soon

# **Daily Activities**

There will be an activities concierge on site at Glade Springs to help plan your activities at the resort and in the surrounding areas. Renting a car if you plan any activities off site is encouraged.

#### On-Site Activities

- Golf on Three Courses
- Indoor and Outdoor Swimming Pools
- Indoor and Outdoor Tennis Courts
- Fishing
- Spa Orange
- Horseback Riding
- o Boating
- Hiking
- Biking
- Movie Theatre
- o Camp Glade for Kids

#### Off-Site Activities

- Whitewater Rafting on the New or Gauley Rivers
- Guided Mountain Bike Tours
- Guided Rock Climbing
- Canopy Tours
- o ATV Tours
- Sporting Clays
- Daniel Vineyards
- O Theatre West Virginia Home of "Honey In The Rock" and "Hatfields & McCoys"
- Jet Boat Rides
- Four State Parks
- The Greenbrier Resort & Casino
- o Airplane Rides through the New River Gorge
- Spelunking
- O Historic towns and sites located in the New River Gorge, Southern WV and Greenbrier Valley Areas

#### Activities Contacts

- Glade Springs
  - Bobby Bowers, Activities Concierge, The Resort at Glade Springs (304) 673 – 4203
     bbower@gladesprings.com
- WV Department of Tourism
  - www.wvtourism.com
- Southern WV Convention and Visitors Bureau
  - www.visitwv.com
- O New River Gorge Convention and Visitors Bureau
  - www.newrivergorgecvb.com
- Greenbrier Valley Convention and Visitors Bureau
  - www.greenbrierwv.com

# **How to Contact Us**

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